

number of positions which may be placed in the top grades of the Classification Act. Heard testimony from Joseph P. McMurray, Federal Home Loan Bank Board; A. E. Weatherbee, Administrative Assistant Secretary, Treasury Department; Mortimer Caplin, Commissioner, Bureau of Internal Revenue; James E. Webb, Administrator, National Aeronautics and Space Administration; and other Government officials. Hearings continue Wednesday, July 26.

#### GENERAL FARM BILL

*Committee on Rules:* Granted an open rule, waiving points of order, with 4 hours debate, on H.R. 8230, to improve and protect farm prices and farm income, to adjust supplies of agricultural commodities in line with the requirements therefor, to improve distribution and expand exports of agricultural commodities, to liberalize and extend farm credit services, to protect the interests of consumers.

Witnesses testifying on granting of a rule were Representatives Cooley, Hoeven, Albert, and Latta.

#### METEOROLOGICAL SATELLITES

*Committee on Science and Astronautics:* The committee heard officials of the U.S. Weather Bureau regarding

meteorological satellites. Hearings continue Wednesday, July 26.

#### PENDING BUSINESS

*Committee on Un-American Activities:* Subcommittee met in executive session on pending business. No announcements were made.

### Joint Committee Meetings

#### NUCLEAR EXPLOSIONS DETECTION

*Joint Committee on Atomic Energy:* Committee began a series of hearings in connection with developments in the field of detection and identification of nuclear explosions (Project Vela). Witnesses heard were Dr. J. P. Ruina, Director, Carlton M. Beyer, Dr. Charles Bates, and Theodore A. George, all of the Advanced Research Projects Agency, Department of Defense; Brig. Gen. A. W. Betts, Director, Division of Military Application, Atomic Energy Commission; Dr. Richard Latter, the Rand Corp.; and Dr. Carl Romney, Air Force Technical Applications Center.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

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#### HIGHLIGHTS

Both Houses heard Nigerian Prime Minister.  
Senate passed farm bill.  
House debated farm bill.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages 13510-13527*

**Bills Introduced:** 10 bills and 2 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2311-2320; S.J. Res. 120; and S. Res. 184.

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**Bills Reported:** Reports were made as follows:

S. 189, to increase the equipment allowance for rural carriers, with amendment (S. Rept. 621);

S. 427, 1934, H.R. 2616, 6514, S. 1179, and 1335, private bills (S. Repts. 622-627);

S. 2073, authorizing two additional Secretaries in the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare (S. Rept. 628);

S. 1815, authorizing one additional Assistant Secretary of Labor (S. Rept. 629);

S. 1057, to provide for a National Portrait Gallery as a bureau of the Smithsonian Institution, with amendments (S. Rept. 630);

S. Res. 175, authorizing the printing of additional copies of a report on Federal civilian employment by county (S. Rept. 631);

S. Res. 179, to print as a Senate document an article entitled "Khrushchev and the Balance of World Power" (S. Rept. 632);

S. Res. 180, authorizing an additional \$15,000 for expenditure by the Committee on Appropriations (S. Rept. 633);

S. Res. 181, authorizing an additional \$15,000 for expenditure by the Committee on Labor and Public Welfare (S. Rept. 634);

S. Res. 183, to print as a Senate document a study entitled "Proposed Federal Aid for Education" (no written report); and

S. Res. 184, authorizing payment of a gratuity to survivor of a deceased Senate employee (no written report).

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**Bills Referred:** Two House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees.

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**President's Communication—Defense Appropriations:** Communication from President transmitting amendments to the budget for fiscal year 1962, involving an increase of \$3,450,600,000 for the military functions of the Defense Department was received, referred

to Committee on Appropriations, and ordered to be printed as S. Doc. 39. Page 13511

**President's Communication—Ready Reserve:** Communication from President transmitting draft of a proposed bill to authorize the President to order units and members of Ready Reserve to active duty for not more than 12 months was received and referred to Committee on Armed Services. Page 13511

**Tariff:** Senate insisted on its amendments to H.R. 6611, reducing from \$500 to \$100 the duty-free allowance permitted returning resident travelers, agreed to hold conference with House, and appointed as conferees Senators Byrd (Va.), Kerr, Long (La.), Williams (Del.), and Carlson. Page 13519

**Water Resources:** By unanimous consent, it was ordered that S. 2246, Water Resources Planning Act of 1961, would be referred to Committee on Public Works, after it has been reported by the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs. Page 13513

**Nigerian Prime Minister:** Senate recessed briefly to greet the Prime Minister of Nigeria. Pages 13543–13544

**Farm Program:** Senate passed (motion to reconsider tabled) S. 1643, proposed Agricultural Act of 1961, as amended by adoption of committee amendment (in nature of a substitute), on which the following actions on additional amendments and motions had been taken:

Adopted: McCarthy amendment to make hatching eggs for turkeys and chickens eligible for marketing orders; Mundt amendment to assure that procedure of annual payments provided for in P.L. 480 of the 83d Congress (to increase the consumption of U.S. agricultural commodities in foreign countries) will be maintained; on division vote, Church amendment to make honey eligible for inclusion in marketing orders; by 50 yeas to 39 nays (motion to reconsider tabled); Kefauver amendment to eliminate language in the bill authorizing acquisitions and mergers by farmer cooperatives; by division vote, Yarborough amendment to make lambs eligible for marketing orders; and by 41 yeas to 37 nays (motion to reconsider tabled), Kefauver motion to table Long (La.) amendment to restore language authorizing acquisitions and mergers by farmer cooperatives that had been eliminated by adoption of Kefauver amendment on the subject, but with proviso that such acquisitions or mergers may be prohibited by Secretary of Agriculture if competition would be lessened or monopoly encouraged thereby; and

Rejected: By 36 yeas to 59 nays, Williams (Del.) amendment to eliminate from bill the language providing for 1962 feed grain program; by 40 yeas to 53 nays (motion to reconsider tabled), Kefauver amendment providing that the antitrust laws shall be applicable to the language in the bill that would allow two or more cooperative associations to join together and

perform all acts which a single cooperative may lawfully perform; by division vote, Kuchel amendment to require that imported dates meet competitive standards imposed on American dates; and by 32 yeas to 42 nays, Miller amendment (to Long (La.) amendment on acquisitions and mergers by farmer cooperatives) to substitute Attorney General for Secretary of Agriculture as the official to determine whether merger would lessen competition or tend to create monopoly. Pages 13527–13591

**Nominations:** One civilian, and two judicial nominations were received. Page 13623

**Adjournment:** Adjourned at 10:54 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### HOG CHOLERA

**Committee on Agriculture and Forestry:** Subcommittee on Agricultural Research and General Legislation held and concluded hearings on S. 1908, to initiate a program for the eradication of hog cholera. Witnesses heard were Dr. C. D. Van Houweling, Agricultural Research Service, Department of Agriculture; Reuben L. Johnson, National Farmers Union; Roy Battles, the National Grange; Richard T. O'Connell, National Council of Farmer Cooperatives; Herman Aaberg, American Farm Bureau Federation; Dr. Harry E. Kingman, American Veterinary Medical Association; Marion Steddom, Iowa Swine Producers; Shelly Greene, Animal Health Institute of Illinois; A. T. Davies, American Meat Institute; and LaVerne Johnson, National Swine Growers Council.

### APPROPRIATIONS—DEFENSE

**Committee on Appropriations:** Subcommittee held executive hearings in connection with the July 26 amendments to the Defense Establishment budget as proposed by President Kennedy. Witnesses heard were Secretary of Defense Robert S. McNamara; Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Gen. Lyman L. Lemnitzer; Army Chief of Staff Gen. Charles L. Decker; Chief of the Bureau of Ships Adm. Ralph J. James; Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. Curtis E. LeMay; and Charles J. Hitch, Assistant Secretary of Defense (Comptroller).

Subcommittee adjourned subject to call.

### APPROPRIATIONS—MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

**Committee on Appropriations:** Subcommittee continued its hearings on fiscal 1962 budget estimates for military construction, with testimony in behalf of funds for their department from Brig. Gen. Robert H. Curtin, Deputy Director for Construction; Maj. Gen. Robert Eaton, Chief of Reserve Forces; Maj. Gen. Winston P. Wilson, Chief of the Air National Guard, and other Air Force witnesses.

Hearings continue tomorrow in executive session.



**DISCLOSURE OF FINANCE CHARGES**

*Committee on Banking and Currency:* Subcommittee on Production and Stabilization continued its hearings on S. 1740, to require disclosure of finance charges in connection with extensions of credit, having as its witnesses Kenneth Barnard, National Better Business Bureau, Inc., and the Association of Better Business Bureaus, Inc., New York City; Dr. Daniel Fufeld, Michigan Consumer Association; Earl Harris and John A. Gosnell, both of the National Small Business Men's Association; Mrs. Irving Lev, ADA; and Charles W. Steadman, American Bar Association.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

**STEAMSHIP CONFERENCES**

*Committee on Commerce:* The Merchant Marine and Fisheries Subcommittee continued its hearings on H.R. 6775, to provide for the operation of steamship conferences, with testimony from William C. Galloway, Chairman, Pacific Westbound Conference, San Francisco; James A. Dennean, Chairman, Far East Conference, New York; A. J. Pasch, representing the Associated Latin-American Freight Conferences, and the Brazil River Plate Conferences; and Charles R. Andrews, Chairman, Trans-Atlantic Associated Freight Conferences, all of whom were accompanied by their associates.

Hearings continue on Friday, July 28.

**NOMINATIONS**

*Committee on Commerce:* Committee held hearings on the nominations of Lawrence J. O'Connor, Jr., of Texas, to be a Member of the Federal Power Commission, with testimony from Senators Yarborough, Tower, and Proxmire, and Representative Casey; and Voit Gilmore, of North Carolina, to be Director, U.S. Travel Service, Department of Commerce, with testimony from Senators Ervin and Jordan, and Representative Kornegay. The nominees were present to testify and answer questions in their own behalf.

Testimony was received from Representative Patman on the nomination of A. Everett MacIntyre, of Virginia, to be a member of the Federal Trade Commission.

Committee will meet again on Tuesday, August 1, to hold hearings on the nominations of Mr. MacIntyre, and John Harllee, of the D.C., to be a Member of the Federal Maritime Board.

**BUDGETING FOR RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT**

*Committee on Government Operations:* The Subcommittee on Reorganization and International Organizations held hearings on the subject of Federal budgeting for research and development, having as its witnesses Dr. Harold Brown, Director of Research and Engineering, Department of Defense; G. C. Bannerman, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense (Procurement); James H. Wakelin, Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Research

and Development); Lt. Gen. R. C. Wilson, Deputy Chief of Staff (Development), Air Force; Maj. Gen. William J. Ely, Office of the Chief of Research and Development, Army; and Vice Adm. Charles B. Martell, Office of the Director of Defense Research and Engineering.

Hearings continue tomorrow, with testimony from NASA officials.

**WATER RESOURCES PLANNING**

*Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs and Public Works:* Committees held joint hearings on S. 2246 and S. 1629, providing financial assistance to the States for comprehensive water resources planning, receiving testimony from Stewart L. Udall, Secretary of the Interior; Orville L. Freeman, Secretary of Agriculture; Abraham A. Ribicoff, Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare; and William F. Schaub, Assistant Secretary of the Army.

Hearings were adjourned subject to call of the chairman.

**COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the nominations of James V. Ryan, to be U.S. marshal for the eastern district of Pennsylvania; Donald E. O'Brien, to be U.S. attorney for the northern district of Iowa; Theodore L. Richling, to be U.S. attorney for the district of Nebraska; Thomas W. Sorrell, to be U.S. marshal for the district of Vermont; John G. Chernenko, to be U.S. marshal for the northern district of West Virginia; and Beverly W. Perkins, to be U.S. marshal for the district of Nevada; S. 1658, proposing amendments to the act of 1951 prohibiting transportation of gambling devices in interstate and foreign commerce; and six private immigration bills (S. 427, 1179, 1335, 1934; H.R. 2616, and 6514).

Committee indefinitely postponed further action on four private immigration bills (S. 148, 414, 1972, and 1998), and two private claims bills (S. 91 and H.R. 3132).

Committee will meet again tomorrow.

**GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT BENEFITS**

*Committee on Post Office and Civil Service:* Subcommittee on Retirement held hearings on H.R. 6141, to strengthen the prohibition against payment of Federal retirement benefits to persons committing offenses against the national security. Witnesses heard were Phillip S. Hughes, Assistant Director for Legislative Reference, Bureau of the Budget; John W. Macy, Jr., Chairman, Civil Service Commission; Benjamin W. Fridge, Special Assistant to the Secretary of the Air Force for Manpower Personnel, and Reserve Forces, who was accompanied by his associates; Richard J. Murphy, Assistant Postmaster General, Bureau of Personnel, Post Office Department; and numerous public witnesses

representing various Government employee organizations.

Hearings were recessed subject to call of the Chair.

#### COMMITTEE BUSINESS

**Committee on Rules and Administration:** Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported S. 1057, to provide for a National Portrait Gallery as a bureau of the Smithsonian Institution (amended); S. Res. 180, authorizing an additional \$15,000 for expenditure by the Committee on Appropriations; S. Res. 181, authorizing an additional \$15,000 for expenditure by the Com-

mittee on Labor and Public Welfare; S. Res. 175, authorizing the printing of additional copies of a report on Federal civilian employment by county; S. Res. 179, to print as a Senate document an article entitled "Khrushchev and the Balance of World Power"; S. Con. Res. 33, to print additional copies of an analysis entitled "The Pugwash Conferences"; and an original resolution (S. Res. 184) authorizing payment of a gratuity to survivor of a deceased Senate employee.

Committee will meet again on Wednesday, August 2, to consider S. Con. Res. 16, to establish a date for the adjournment of Congress.

## House of Representatives

### Chamber Action

**Bills Introduced:** 13 public bills, H.R. 8353-8365; 3 private bills, H.R. 8366-8368; and 9 resolutions, H.J. Res. 505-509, H. Con. Res. 357 and 358, and H. Res. 390 and 391, were introduced. Pages 13499, 13510

**Bills Reported:** Reports were filed as follows:

Disposition of executive papers (H. Rept. 793);

H.R. 4458, relating to performance of certain work for the Avondale, Dalton Gardens, and Hayden Lake Irrigation Districts in State of Idaho (H. Rept. 794);

Fourth report of the Committee on Government Operations entitled "United States Aid Operations in Peru" (H. Rept. 795);

H. Res. 391, providing for the consideration of and 2 hours of debate on H.R. 8102, to amend the Federal Airport Act so as to extend the time for making grants under the provisions of such act (H. Rept. 796);

Conference report on H.R. 6345, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies (H. Rept. 797); and

Three private bills, H.R. 1325, 1349, and 1422 (H. Repts. 798-800, respectively). Pages 13509-13510

**West Berlin Stand:** Objection was made to a request for consideration of H. Con. Res. 351, supporting the President's reply to the Soviet aide memoire on Germany and Berlin. Page 13643

**Nigerian Prime Minister:** The Prime Minister of the Federation of Nigeria was presented by the Speaker and he addressed the House. The Prime Minister was escorted to and from the House Chamber by a committee composed of Representatives McCormack, Morgan, Halleck, and Chipfield. Pages 13475-13477

**Farm Bill:** By a voice vote the House adopted H. Res. 388, the open rule waiving points of order against and providing 4 hours of debate on H.R. 8230, to improve and protect farm prices and farm income, to adjust supplies of agricultural commodities in line with the requirements therefor, to improve distribution and ex-

pand exports of agricultural commodities, to liberalize and extend credit services, and to protect the interests of consumers.

After concluding all general debate and reading the first two sections of the bill for amendment the House deferred further action on the legislation to Thursday. Pages 13463-13475, 13477-13499

**Presidential Communication:** Received a communication from the President to the Speaker requesting enactment of legislation granting temporary authority to order to active duty certain units and individuals in the Ready Reserve and to extend terms of service of military personnel. The communication was referred to the Committee on Armed Services. Page 13509

**Bills Referred:** Three Senate-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 13509

**Adjournment:** Adjourned at 6:24 p.m.

### Committee Meetings

#### HOG CHOLERA

**Committee on Agriculture:** Subcommittee on Livestock and Feed Grains heard public witnesses on H.R. 7176, and related bills, to provide for a hog cholera eradication program. Hearings continue Thursday, July 27.

#### SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT

**Committee on Armed Services:** The Subcommittee for Special Investigations, in executive session, resumed hearings on military sole source procurement. Heard testimony from Brig. Gen. J. F. Thorlin, Commanding General, Ordnance Tank Automotive Command; and other Department of the Army personnel. Hearings will continue Thursday, July 27.

#### SHIPYARD FACILITIES

**Committee on Armed Services:** The Subcommittee on Utilization of Naval Shipyard Facilities heard testimony from Vice Adm. Ralph K. James, Chief, Bureau of Ships, Navy; Capt. D. L. Carroll, Jr., Acting Assistant



Chief, Bureau of Ships for Field Activities; and other supporting witnesses.

#### FEDERAL HOME LOAN BANK ACT—NATIONAL HOUSING ACT

*Committee on Banking and Currency:* Subcommittee No. 1 met in executive session and ordered reported favorably to the full committee H.R. 7108 (amended), to amend the Federal Home Loan Bank Act and title IV of the National Housing Act; and H.R. 8277 (amended), to simplify and improve the election and appointment of directors of the Federal home loan banks.

#### YOUTH JOB TRAINING

*Committee on Education and Labor:* Met in executive session and ordered reported to the House H.R. 7536 (amended), to authorize pilot training and employment programs for youth, including on-the-job and other appropriate training, local public service programs, and conservation programs.

Also began consideration of H.R. 7373, relating to the occupational training, development, and use of the manpower resources of the Nation. The committee will continue on this subject, in executive session, Thursday, July 27.

#### FOREIGN AID

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Met in executive session to continue markup on H.R. 7372, to promote the foreign policy, security, and general welfare of the U.S. by assisting peoples of the world in their efforts toward economic and social development and internal and external security. The committee will continue on this subject, in executive session, Thursday, July 27.

#### PERU—DEPARTMENTAL INFORMATION

*Committee on Government Operations:* The committee met in executive session and approved two committee reports entitled "United States Aid Operations in Peru" and "On Availability of Information From Federal Departments and Agencies."

#### INSULAR AFFAIRS

*Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs:* Ordered reported favorably to the House H.R. 6102 (amended), to sell reserved phosphate interests of the U.S. in lands located in the State of Florida.

Rereferred to the Subcommittee on Public Lands H.R. 6745, to provide for the restriction of certain areas in the Outer Continental Shelf for defense purposes (Matagorda Water Range); and H.R. 6849, to provide for the restriction of certain areas in the Outer Continental Shelf, known as the Corpus Christi Offshore Warning Area, for defense purposes.

#### LEAD—ZINC

*Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs:* Subcommittee on Mines and Mining met in executive session on

H.R. 84, and related bills, to stabilize the mining of lead and zinc by small domestic producers on public, Indian, and other lands. No announcements were made.

#### COMMUNICATION SATELLITES

*Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce:* Continued hearings on communication satellites, and heard testimony from James E. Webb, Administrator, National Aeronautics and Space Administration; and Lee Loevinger, Assistant Attorney General, Antitrust Division, Department of Justice. Hearings continue Thursday, July 27.

#### COUNTERFEITING—STATE OBLIGATIONS

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee No. 2 heard testimony from Representative Hull and several State representatives on H.R. 1777, to prohibit the counterfeiting of State obligations in certain cases.

Also acted on several private claim bills.

#### COMMITTEE BUSINESS

*Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries:* Subcommittee on Coast Guard, Coast and Geodetic Survey, and Navigation met in executive session and ordered reported favorably to the full committee H.R. 205, to permit documentation of vessels sold or transferred abroad; H.R. 4229 (amended), to amend the Coast and Geodetic Survey Commissioned Officers Act of 1948; H.R. 2292, to issue certificates of honorable discharge in lieu of certificates of disenrollment to certain persons who served as temporary members of the U.S. Coast Guard Reserve during World War II; S. 1289, to eliminate the oath requirements with respect to certain export manifests; and H.R. 8152 (amended), to prevent the pollution of the sea by oil.

#### MERCHANT MARINE ACT

*Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries:* Subcommittee on Merchant Marine held a hearing on H.R. 2308, to amend the Ship Mortgage Act; H.R. 6309, to increase certain limitations in payments on account of operating-differential subsidy; H.R. 6971, to conform the provisions of section 802 of the Merchant Marine Act of 1936, with those of section 510 thereof as amended by public law; and H.R. 6974, to amend section 607(b) of the Merchant Marine Act. Heard testimony, on all measures, from Thomas E. Stakem, Jr., Chairman, Federal Maritime Board.

#### SUPER GRADES

*Committee on Post Office and Civil Service:* Subcommittee held a hearing on H.R. 7377, relating to the number of positions which may be placed in the top grade of the Classification Act. Heard testimony from Carlisle P. Runge, Assistant Secretary of Defense (Manpower); and Najeeb E. Halaby, Administrator, Federal Aeronautics Administration.

**DECEASED POSTAL EMPLOYEES**

*Committee on Post Office and Civil Service:* Subcommittee, in executive session, ordered reported favorably to the full committee H.R. 7061 (amended), to provide for payment of unused compensatory time owing to deceased postal employees.

Prior to taking action on the measure the subcommittee, in an open hearing, heard testimony from postal officials and employee organizations.

**CIVIL SERVICE RETIREMENT ACT**

*Committee on Post Office and Civil Service:* Subcommittee met in executive session and ordered reported favorably to the full committee S. 739 (amended), relating to the method of computing interest earnings of special Treasury issues held by the civil service retirement and disability fund.

**METEOROLOGICAL SATELLITES**

*Committee on Science and Astronautics:* The committee heard John Rubel, Assistant Secretary of Defense, Defense Research and Engineering, regarding meteorological satellites. Hearings continue Thursday, July 27.

**FEDERAL AIRPORT ACT**

*Committee on Rules:* Granted an open rule, with 2 hours of debate, on H.R. 8102, to amend the Federal Airport Act so as to extend the time for making grants under the provisions of such act. Witnesses heard were Representatives Harris, Williams, and Younger.

**FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION**

*Committee on Rules:* Heard testimony, but took no final action, on request for a rule on H.R. 7856, to facilitate the prompt and orderly conduct of the business of the Federal Communications Commission. Heard Representatives Harris, Younger, Flynt, and Rogers of Texas.

**HOSPITALIZATION SERVICES—AGED**

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Held a hearing on the President's proposal for hospitalization services for the

aged under social security, and heard public witnesses. Hearings continue Thursday, July 27.

**Joint Committee Meetings****NUCLEAR EXPLOSIONS DETECTION**

*Joint Committee on Atomic Energy:* Committee continued its series of hearings in connection with developments in the field of detection and identification of nuclear explosions (Project VELA). Testimony was received from Brig. Gen. A. W. Betts, Director, Division of Military Application, Atomic Energy Commission; Dr. Roland Herbst, Lawrence Radiation Laboratory, Livermore, Calif.; Col. Jack Ledford, USAF, Defense Atomic Support Agency; Dr. Carl Romney, Air Force Technical Applications Center; Dr. Charles Bates, and Lt. Comdr. Donald Chandler, both of the Advanced Research Projects Agency; Dr. William Ogle, Los Alamos Scientific Laboratory, New Mexico; and a panel of participants consisting of Dr. Dean S. Carder, Coast and Geodetic Survey; Dr. Norman Haskell, Air Force Cambridge Research Laboratory; Dr. Jack E. Oliver, Lamont Geological Observatory; Dr. James T. Wilson, University of Michigan; and Dr. Carl Romney. Hearings continue tomorrow.

**TARIFF—DUTY-FREE ALLOWANCE**

*Conferees,* in executive session, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 6611, reducing from \$500 to \$100 the duty-free allowance permitted returning resident travelers. As agreed by the conferees, the House would accept the amendments of the Senate, including that amendment which would establish a \$200 maximum amount for goods from the Virgin Islands.

**APPROPRIATIONS—INTERIOR**

*Conferees,* in executive session, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 6345, fiscal 1962 appropriations for the Department of the Interior.

*Thursday, July 27, 1961*

**HIGHLIGHTS**

Both Houses cleared Interior appropriations for President.

Senate passed 42 sundry bills, including FCC reorganization, and agreed to limit debate on oceanography bill.

House passed general farm bill.

**Senate****Chamber Action**

*Routine Proceedings,* pages 13630–13668

**Bills Introduced:** Nine bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2321–2329.

Pages 13633–13634

**Bills Reported:** Reports were made as follows:

S. 174, to establish a National Wilderness Preservation System, with amendments, and with minority and individual views (S. Rept. 635);

S. 1012, private (S. Rept. 636);